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C-o-L index up 3.9% in April

Biggest rise in 20 years

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GOLD HITS \$110 RECORD HIGH

(AP). — Gold hit record high yesterday for 11 months, but closed back at \$2,560, a gain of 2.5 cents on the day. In Frankfurt, the dollar closed at DM2.7990.

Other market sources agreed there had been an over-reaction to the gold price passing through the psychologically important \$100 an ounce barrier. A spokesman for a London gold dealer said, "It defies analysis. The speculators have taken over."

Much of the money flooding out of dollars and into supposedly safer gold was clearly coming from the Middle East. "There is not the slightest doubt that the Middle East oil people are in the market on a huge scale," a foreign exchange dealer for the Union Bank of Switzerland said here.

A key difference between the current flight from the dollar and earlier ones is that since February major currencies have been floating in world markets outside fixed exchange rates. Government central banks are no longer obligated to step in and support their currencies.

This means speculators are no longer betting against government banks' ability to devalue or revalue their currencies. Instead, the speculators are betting against each other in markets where prices are volatile and volume relatively thin.

Sooner or later, the theory goes, the betting will get too risky, the players will retire to the sidelines and the markets will steady.

Skylab men's launch put off to Sunday

Hot in the space ship

CAPE KENNEDY (AP). — The launching of the Skylab-1 astronauts has been postponed until Sunday because of problems with power-producing solar panels on the Skylab-1 space station which was launched on Monday. The astronauts were to have begun their mission yesterday.

The Space Agency is considering sending the Skylab astronauts on an abbreviated inspection mission to seek solutions for a series of power, temperature and gyroscopic problems plaguing the giant orbiting laboratory.

Another possibility is to send astronauts Charles Conrad Jr., Joseph Kerwin and Paul Weitz up with a large thermal blanket to cover a section of the outer skin of the orbiting Skylab. The blanket would replace a micrometeoroid shield which was torn away during the launch on Monday, leading to a heat problem with temperatures inside the spacecraft soaring to 100 degrees.

If a solution is not found by Sunday the launch could be delayed again, or wiped out altogether.

The heat problem that cropped up yesterday was described as serious by a NASA official. It is causing more concern, he said, than the failure of two power-producing solar panels to extend from the space ship on Monday, cutting its power capability in half. He said options considered at a meeting yesterday included:

- Launching Conrad, Kerwin and Weitz as planned on Sunday and having them make a careful inspection, including considerable photography, of both the thermal problem area and the two fouled solar panels. This would help engineers on the ground work out possible solutions to the problems and allow repairs to be made by the Skylab-2 and 3 crews scheduled to visit the laboratory later in the year.
- The Skylab-1 crew could fly up to the workshop and two of the astronauts would take a space walk to fit an aluminum-like thermal shield made of material called mylar over the area where the micrometeoroid shield stripped away.

However, this would require additional training by the crew and the flight would have to be delayed beyond Sunday.

Concerning the heat problem, Flight Controller Neil Hutchinson told newsmen yesterday, "It's like Houston on a hot, humid day in here." He said temperatures on 100 degrees had been recorded in the centre of the 85-ton workshop. Normal temperatures would be in the 60s or 70s, he said.

Air-conditioning units are aboard the craft, but to operate them now would be a serious drain on an already depleted power supply.

It is believed to be the reason for dozens of calls Monday night to the Meteorological Service by people claiming to have seen unidentified flying objects.

The weather office said people had described the sightings as looking like "half the size of the moon" and "lemon-shaped."

In Lydda, Aharon Tuito said he was at the municipal library Monday night when he saw several glittering objects moving from west to east in the clear sky. Other local residents added that one of the unidentified objects was brighter than the others and appeared to be moving backward and forward in its course. The spectacle lasted about 90 seconds, they said, during which time the other six UFOs lined up behind the brightest one.

By AARON SITTNER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Consumer Price Index rose by 3.9 per cent last month in the sharpest monthly climb in 20 years. The index, with a base of 100 calculated according to 1969 prices, closed at 156.3 points on April 30, compared with 150.5 on March 31.

April's rise of 5.8 points brings the increase in the first four months of the year to 9.5 per cent. Histadrut spokesman Shmuel Soler told The Jerusalem Post yesterday: "This development just strengthens our view, re-stated last Sunday, that another cost-of-living adjustment must be made in July."

Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon has repeatedly warned that the labour federation will demand the mid-year adjustment if the index rises by more than eight per cent by June.

David Neumann, public information officer at the Central Bureau of Statistics, said April's rise would have reached five per cent had it not been for an unexpected drop of nine per cent in the price of fresh fruit and vegetables. He said that, historically, April and May are usually the most expensive months in the year for fresh produce. This year, however, the high prices were registered in March.

Reuven Karshni, the Bureau's chief price analyst, said prices of meat, poultry and other food items were the main factors in last month's record advance. Other contributors were higher housing prices as well as bigger bills for clothing, shoes and certain other goods and services.

He said the monthly "shopping basket" for a family of four now costs between IL1,640 and IL1,650 to fill, compared with IL1,500 in December. He was referring to the national average family consumption figure, which includes food, clothing, housing and all other necessities.

(This figure covers all types of families — those headed by wage earners and those headed by self-employed persons. The average wage earner's income is approximately IL1,065 a month, and the average family now has more than one member bringing home an income.)

Here are some of the price increases last month, stated in percentages as compared with March:

- Frozen beef — 26.6; flour — 18.7; poultry — 13.9; sugar — 33.8; locally slaughtered beef — 8.1; macaroni products — 8.4; cakes and pastry — 8; light beverages — 7.9.

Housing prices rose by an average 7.4 per cent while home maintenance costs were up by 2.2 per cent. Furniture prices increased by 2.5 per cent; clothing, by 7.7; and shoes, by 4.8.

Other price increases were: cigarettes — 15.1 per cent; watches — 6.4; auto insurance — 16.9; auto repairs — 4.3; driving lessons — 8.5; and auto rentals — 3.

The wholesale price index of locally manufactured merchandise rose by 4.1 per cent in April — an element that is expected to be felt in consumer prices within 60 days.

Mr. Neumann also reported that the Construction Price Index, which reflects labour, materials and other building costs, has risen by 13.5 per cent since the beginning of the year.

"Very bleak," was how Mr. Ben-Aharon described the index rise in a TV interview last night. An increased cost-of-living allowance, even if awarded July 1, could not compensate wage-earners unless effective anti-inflationary measures were adopted, he said. It was still not too late for this, he added.

Pressed by the interviewer, Mr. Ben-Aharon said he "did not rule out" revised wage demands if no "solution" was forthcoming.

WATERGATE PROBE

nate seeks immunity for Dean

WASH. — The Senate Committee investigating the Watergate scandal voted yesterday to grant immunity to President Richard M. Nixon and his closest White House associates.

The committee, headed by Sen. John Stennis, D-Miss., voted 12-0 to grant immunity to President Nixon, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, and all members of the President's staff.

The committee also voted to grant immunity to all members of the President's staff who were involved in the Watergate scandal.

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Eban sees Waldheim

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Foreign Minister Abba Eban met yesterday with Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim for a 90-minute breakfast meeting and told reporters afterwards that he has been talking with other governments in an effort to get negotiations started on the Middle East.

But he did not name the other governments except for the U.S.

He also said that Israel does not believe that the forthcoming Security Council review of the Middle East "will do any good." He added: "There has been too much political debate and there has to be a beginning of negotiations." (See Egypt column — Page 4).

(Israel Radio's correspondent in New York said Mr. Eban told Dr. Waldheim that Israel would take strong exception to any change in Security Council Resolution 242. He also expressed Israeli opposition to the creating of any new outside forum to replace the Jarring mission, it was said.)

The Foreign Minister came to the U.N. from Montreal, where he met on Monday with External Affairs Minister Mitchell Sharp. Mr. Eban was in Montreal for a dinner to promote Israel Bonds. He said later at a news conference that he did not ask Canada to play a role in any peace discussions.

Sharav followed by cooler weather

JERUSALEM (AP). — The Sharav weather turned cool yesterday, and the weatherman expects it to remain so for at least another two days.

There were a few drops of early morning rain in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

The weatherman said that a warm depression had moved from Egypt into our region, bringing in its wake a warm southeasterly airflow. This warm low then moved eastward, followed by cooler air, causing a drop in temperature and a rise in humidity. An upper trough moving from the East Mediterranean is also causing an inflow of cooler air.

Soviet Jews at U.S. Embassy

Deliver memo on Jackson amendment

By SARAH HONIG, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Members of the Action Committee of Newcomers from the Soviet Union yesterday urged President Nixon not to pressure American Jewish leaders and the Israeli government to oppose the Jackson Amendment.

Their three-page memorandum to the President was presented to American Embassy charge d'affaires here, Mr. Owen Zurbellen, in the course of a two-hour meeting. Taking part were Mrs. Rivka Alexander, Mrs. Lea Slovin, Mr. Yitzhak Fukan and Mr. Emanuel Shenkar.

The committee members are all immigrants who were active in immigration circles in the Soviet Union and who have arrived in Israel recently.

Mr. Zurbellen promised that the memorandum would be relayed to the White House.

It says that the Jackson amendment to the trade bill with the U.S.S.R. is the free world's only effective weapon to facilitate the emigration of Soviet Jews. "Should the Jackson amendment fail, there will be nothing to stop the Soviet authorities from taking immediate vengeance on the Jews," the memorandum said.

The immigrants acknowledge "the sincerity" of the President's wish to help, but say that quiet diplomacy alone is not enough.

They say that for the U.S.S.R. to show it means to keep its promises, it must abolish all barriers to free emigration, including the need for potential emigrants to obtain invitations from their relatives in Israel and character references from employers and permission to leave from their family in the Soviet Union, as well as the requirement to pay large sums of money to reimburse their citizenship.

The memorandum goes on to say that the current emigration, which arouses enthusiasm in the West and leads people to think the gates are opening, is in fact no more than a "crucial quota." No one stops to think that this quota, which allowed some 30,000 to 35,000 Jews to leave in 1972, is less than the annual birth rate of the Soviet Jewish population.

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dat envoy in Paris; Faisal wants action

JACK MAURICE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

President Anwar Sadat's adviser, Hafez Ismail, left yesterday to deliver a message to President Richard M. Nixon.

Ismail is here to meet Mr. Nixon's special envoy, Dr. Henry Kissinger, who is in Paris.

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Chinese envoy attends Israeli party in error

ATHENS (Reuters). — Chinese Ambassador Chou Po-ping, who last weekend attended an Israeli reception in error believing he was at the Kuwaiti embassy, has been recalled to Peking for consultations.

As China does not recognise Israel, the Ambassador's presence gave rise to speculation that it might be a preliminary step towards recognition.

A Chinese embassy spokesman later described the Ambassador's visit as a technical error and said Mr. Chou had believed he was calling at the Kuwaiti Embassy.

Some observers here believe the sudden recall may be in connection with the diplomatic incident. But political sources said it could be linked with the forthcoming visit to Peking of Greek Deputy Premier Nicholas Makarezos.

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Yolanda Schwartz

(Chile)

who was killed in a road accident on May 14, 1973.

Mother, Szidonia Schwartz
Children, Mariella, Miguel, and Bastian
Brothers, Hugo and Eduard
Schwartz and families

Nahal Yam in Sinai turns civilian

The Nahal Yam outpost, established in 1967 some 70 km. west of el-Arish, was transferred yesterday to the hands of civilian fishermen who have settled there.

That when he arrived at the outpost engaged in fishing in the Bardwil Lagoon. The Army abandoned the settlement several months ago. The Jewish Agency Settlement Department will continue to assist the Nahal Yam settlers.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy, with scattered showers possible in north and central Israel. Weather synopsis: A cold low with a trough aloft is causing instability over our region.

Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem 55	13-18	11-18
Golan 62	11-18	9-15
Nahariya 60	15-22	17-22
Safed 60	11-18	10-15
Haifa 59	20-22	17-22
Tiberias 59	20-22	17-22
Nazareth 59	20-22	17-22
Afula 47	17-25	15-24
Shomron 49	16-20	14-18
Tel Aviv 63	20-22	17-22
Lod 63	20-22	17-22
Jericho 33	23-31	19-30
Gaza 66	18-24	15-22
Beerseba 66	18-24	15-22
Elitz 15	22-32	20-30
Tiran 36	24-30	24-29

Social and Personal

President Zalman Shazar yesterday received the directors of the Shrine of the Book: Avraham Harman, Prof. Yigal Yadin, Moshe Rivlin, Elad Peled, William Strom and Prof. D. S. Levinger. They presented Mr. Shazar with a copy of "The Shrine of the First Kurran Cave," published by the Shrine of the Book and the Albright Institute.

Mr. Shazar also received Ya'acov Mizrahi, M. K.

The Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Zerah Warhaftig, visited the Mosque of Gassir in Acre yesterday and was received by Kadi Mohammed Hubelah. Dr. Warhaftig was accompanied by Shlomo Nawi, head of the Moslem Affairs Division in his Ministry; Dr. Subhi Abu Ghass of the Moslem religious court; and Shmuel Tolosano, the Premier's Arab affairs adviser.

Dr. Warhaftig and his party also visited the Istiklal Mosque in Haifa, where they were met by Walid head Suhel Shukri and Kadi Sheikh Amin Kassem Madaj.

Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef yesterday attended annual festivities at the tomb of Rabbi Meir Ba'al Hanes near Tiberias after visiting the old Sephardi synagogue in the town.

Nazareth Mayor Self e-Dia Zumbi, M.K.; Mayor Monachah Alon of Upper Nazareth; and Antoina Shaliba, director of the Tourist Bureau in Nazareth, were the luncheon guests of Tourism Minister Moshe Kol at the Knesset yesterday, upon their return from the U.S., where they went to encourage tourism in this country.

Prof. G.J.V. Nossal, Professor of Medical Biology at the University of Melbourne and head of the Hall Institute of Medical Research there, on Monday received the 1973 Rabbi Shal Shakkun Memorial Prize in Immunology and Cancer Research at the Hebrew University.

Mr. Gideon Rosenzweig, director of music programmes for the Israel Broadcasting Authority, will speak on "Guidelines for Music Programmes on Television" at a luncheon meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club at the Y.M.C.A. today at 1 p.m.

Dr. Avram Bandel, director of Israel Mining Industries, will speak on research and development for new industries, at today's meeting of the Haifa Rotary Club, Appinger Hotel, 1 p.m.

The Premier's adviser on security affairs, Aluf (Res.) Avraham Yariv, will speak on "Israel's Security Situation," at the Haifa Engineers' Club, at 7.30 tonight.

The Hadassim camp leader, Mr. Walter Frankel, will supply information and register children in Jerusalem, today, at the Hermon Cafe, 10 Rehov Keren Kayemet, Rehavia, from 6-7.30 p.m.

The Promised Land Ltd., the greatest travel agency in the Middle East, Jerusalem, 10 Rehov Hillel, Tel. (02) 228311, (02) 228909; Tel Aviv, 5 Rehov Shalom Aleichem, Tel. (03) 50951.

ARRIVALS

Arye Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, from France.

Herbert Schiffman, president of Local 255 of the AFL-CIO Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union, at the head of an Israel Bonds labour delegation from Florida.

Lufthansa's director of field organization, F. Beckman, manager for Europe, R. Lapp, sales manager for Europe, K.W. Ambrosius, and public relations chief for Europe, H. Jaffe, for the installation of the airline's new representative in Israel, P. Fischer.

Leonie N. Pachany, general manager of the Herta and Paul Amirson Foundation, Oscar Oes, manager of the Financial Division, and Claude A. Ury, marketing manager for consultations with the local company.

The re-interment of the late

EUGEN (BAUXL) BUCHBINDER, Eng.

will take place at the Hof HaCarmel Cemetery on Thursday, May 17, at 2.30 p.m.

R. BUCHBINDER
on behalf of the family

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distinguished jurist, President of the English Friends of the University, generous founder of the Lionel Cohen Lectureships in law, Honorary Member of its Board of Governors, and devoted friend, and extends heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.

Makleff resigns in citrus industry dispute

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The general manager of the Citrus Marketing Board, Mordechai Makleff, has resigned because of the CMB's delay in accepting changes that he wants to introduce.

Mr. Makleff submitted his resignation last week to take effect September 1. He is known to believe that only the very best quality fruit should be exported to an increasingly competitive market. Changes which he feels should be made as soon as possible include closer contact between the CMB and the packing houses, diversification of the fruit by adjusting size and quality to the changing demand of consumers, and introduction of new varieties.

The CMB is a statutory board, comprises 10 members of the Citrus Growers Association, who are themselves the citrus contractors, and two government representatives, one from the Commerce and Industry Ministry and another from the Finance Ministry. The chairman of the board is the Minister of Agriculture and the CMB picks the general manager. The Director-General of the Agriculture Ministry is now serving as acting chairman.

Mr. Yigael Drucker, the Ministry of Agriculture's spokesman, told The Post last night that Mr. Makleff had not yet submitted his resignation to the Minister, only to the central committee of the CMB.

This is the third time that Mr. Makleff has submitted his resignation, and there was optimism yesterday that he might be persuaded to rescind it.

During Mr. Makleff's tenure, the CMB streamlined its shipping and sales organization. It introduced the chartering of fruit-carrying ships, and during the last season, about 40 such ships were chartered, about 15 per cent of all ships used to carry fruit.

Solel Boneh gets only 6% of cement needs

Solel Boneh, the Hestadrut construction firm, currently gets only 60 per cent of its cement needs, company managers told Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday when he toured its construction sites in the Jerusalem area.

General manager Zvi Rechter and chief construction manager Yitzhak Lax told Mr. Sapir that manpower problems, on the other hand, have eased somewhat. Twenty-five per cent of the firm's workers are from the administered areas, compared with 50 to 60 per cent employed by other firms. Solel Boneh, which employs 1,700 workers in Jerusalem, is engaged in IL100m. worth of construction there, compared to IL80m. last year, the spokesman said.

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Something for everyone at the Hebrew Book Week fair in Tel Aviv's Kikar Machei Israel yesterday. Book fairs are being held throughout the country.

Hebrew Book Week opens

Jerusalem Post Staff

Hebrew Book Week opened yesterday with book fairs in the country's three large cities, as well as some smaller towns.

A large crowd began to gather at Jerusalem's Gan Ha'etzmaut even before the fair was scheduled to open, at 4 p.m. Tel Aviv's Kikar Machei Israel, opposite City Hall, became the largest outdoor book mart in the country, offering foreign language books for tourists

and immigrants in addition to the Hebrew books.

Haifa had two openings. An Arabic book fair was opened there at the Arab-Jewish centre in Rehov Hagafen with books published in Arab countries and obtained through West Bank distributors. The Hebrew Book Fair is being held at the Municipal Theatre.

During Hebrew Book Week — which will last 10 days — books will be sold at a discount of 20 to 40 per cent.

Gahal tempers support for 'Sapir fund'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Gahal has decided to temper its praise for Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir's fund-raising projects for health, educational and welfare purposes (commonly dubbed the "Sapir Fund").

When Gahal economic spokesman Yohanan Bader reported on Monday night to his Knesset faction on the Finance Committee debate fund-raising projects, he was taken to task for what was described as exaggerated backing of the Finance Minister.

His Gahal colleagues told Dr. Bader that the approaching elections necessitated an energetic assault on the Alignment's economic policies and lauding Mr. Sapir would not help this.

Accordingly, Gahal has decided not to support the Coalition motion in the Finance Committee, giving the Finance Minister enthusiastic encouragement for his fund-raising.

Gahal's own minority motion (which will inevitably fail) will make the following points:

- The Finance Committee must form a sub-committee to monitor all the Sapir projects.
- all fund-raising procedures must be controlled and audited.
- Mr. Sapir must not raise funds inside Israel.

Avneri calls for leftist alignment

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ha'olam Hazeh-Koach Hadash party chairman Uri Avneri M.K. yesterday called for an alignment under Ha'olam Hazeh leadership of all left-wing forces between the Labour Alignment and Rakeh.

He proposed that such a left-wing coalition would be named the Israeli Radical Alignment (Me'aroch Radikali Israeli) or in short Meri (Hebrew for revolt). Such an alignment would fight for peace and returning the territories to the Arabs, as well as opposing the Bader-Ofer law for the redistribution of surplus votes.

Mr. Avneri envisaged that such a leftist alignment would encompass Shas-New Left, Meri, the group of leftist professors that supported the Movement for Peace and Security in 1969 and a newly formed group of Israeli Arabs. His party "as the strongest force" should be regarded as the leading element in such a coalition, he said.

BOLOGNA SLANDER

The Ha'olam Hazeh chairman took the opportunity to blast the Israeli media for "a campaign of slander against the Bologna conference on the Middle East." Mr. Avneri, who had just returned from the northern Italian city where he was part of the Israeli delegation to the Communist-sponsored rally, claimed "the campaign was organized by agents of the Foreign Ministry and under the direct inspiration of Premier Golda Meir."

Mr. Avneri held that "a special department exists for disseminating dis-



Orthodox Jews visit excavation on East Jerusalem's Jericho Road where graves were discovered yesterday. Lanes to left of traffic island in background will be permanently closed in order to permit graves to be restored. Gethsemane is to the right of the background. (Rehavam Yisrael)

Part of Jerusalem — Jericho road closed: graves found there

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two lanes of the Jerusalem-Jericho road, at the foot of the Mount of Olives were closed to traffic permanently yesterday when graves were found beneath the roadway. Traffic in both directions will now be accommodated by the two remaining lanes.

The closure order, long sought by the Ministry for Religious Affairs, was issued by Mayor Teddy Kollek. A municipal spokesman said the mayor was acting to a request made by Mordechai Shalev, chairman of the Knesset's Interior Committee, who planned him after learning of the discovery of the graves.

(The lanes affected were constructed during Jordanian rule over part of the Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives. When the city was reunited, religious groups pressed for the closure of the lanes but the municipality was reluctant to close an inter-urban artery. There were suggestions that the road be raised on stilts where it passed over the graves but this was never acted upon. It was estimated two years ago that an alternate road around the Mount of Olives would cost IL7 million. Meanwhile, the Rabbinate issued a ruling barring all kohanim (members of the priestly caste, which includes most people named Cohen) from using the road since kohanim are forbidden by religious laws to enter cemeteries. An alternate route was suggested to them, a narrow, winding route via A-Tur and Bethany.)

The Ministry for Religious Affairs began digging for graves several months ago on the traffic island dividing the dual carriageway road and an adjacent sidewalk. They found dozens of graves but were denied permission to dig up the western carriageway beneath which they suspected were many more graves.

The carriageway was dug up early yesterday without permission although it is not clear exactly

when, how or by whom. A municipal official attributed the deed to a contracting company set up for the purpose by the Ministry for Religious Affairs. "They brought a tractor at night and opened the road," he said.

A ranking official in the Southern Police District said last night he thought it had been a joint operation of the Herva Kadisha (Burial Society) and the Rabbinate. "I'm not too clear about it, to tell you the truth," he said. "We found the road opened in the morning."

The spokesman for the Ministry for Religious Affairs said he had "heard" that the operation had been carried out by relatives of persons buried there. "They went out during the day with a compressor and began digging." Many graves were found in the operation, he said.

Word of the excavation brought several dozen Natorei Karta members to the scene in the afternoon led by Rabbi Amram Blau. It is believed to be the first time that Rabbi Blau and his closest followers have set foot in East Jerusalem since the Six Day War. Ferocious anti-Zionists, they have refused to visit any territory "occupied" by the Zionists in the war, including even the Western Wall. They came, according to a Natorei Karta source, for fear that the authorities planned to cover the graves back up and resurface the road.

The authorities, however, had already decided that the graves must be restored and the roadway closed.

Fund drive today for the retarded

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Thousands of volunteers will go from door to door today in the annual fund-raising drive of Akim, The Israel Society for Retarded Children.

The goal is to collect IL700,000 which, along with other fund-raising activities and some Government help, will go to finance the Society's IL2.5m. annual budget. The drive is to be held under the auspices of Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir.

Among the chief preoccupations of Akim is finding suitable employment for retarded teenagers and young adults. Many are employed in Akim-run workshops; for others the Society helps and employs them in various privately owned workshops and factories.

The Jerusalem Post was told yesterday that, according to a recent study, as many as 45.4 per cent of the moderately retarded were employed in non-sheltered workshops. They do not switch from one job to another as often as their normal co-workers do, and they have proved to be reliable employees even in some skilled and semi-skilled jobs as operating lathe machines and gardening. Their average monthly pay ranges from IL300 to IL400; for some it exceeds IL500.

Employers expressed satisfaction with 79 per cent of their retarded employees, and most of them were shown to be almost equal to the other employees in the quality of their work. They were far superior when it came to punctuality and absenteeism, the employers said.

Interfaith symposium

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An interfaith symposium in Jerusalem today will mark Israel's 25th anniversary. Jewish, Christian and Moslem thinkers will discuss "Interfaith Dialogue in Israel — Retrospect and Prospect," at the Y.M.C.A. in West Jerusalem, from 3.30 p.m. until the late evening.

The event has been arranged jointly by the American Jewish Committee, the Ecumenical Theological Research Fraternity in Israel, the Israel Interfaith Committee, the United Christian Council in Israel and the World Jewish Congress.

Among the scholars taking part will be Professor Shmaryahu Talmon (who will deliver the opening lecture in English), Abbot Laurentius Klein, Brother Mervin Dubois, Mr. Shmuel Shukri (Chairman of the Moslem Community in Haifa), Prof. Zvi Werblowsky, Rev. Roy Kreider, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Father Elias Chacour, Dr. Andre Chouraqui and Dr. Bernard Resnikoff.

A vegetarian supper will be served and participation costs IL10.

Girl, 4, killed by truck

PETAH TIKVA. — A four-year-old girl, Malika Yeheskel, was killed here Monday evening, when she was hit by a truck on Rehov Haim Ozer, Petah Tikva's main thoroughfare. The driver was detained for questioning.

A woman who caused a traffic accident in which her father was killed was given a three-month suspended jail term, a IL2,500 fine, and had her licence revoked for two years by the Netanya Magistrates' Court yesterday.

Mira Koppelov, 34, of Kibutz Gash, was driving a pick-up truck on the Coastal Road last September when the truck overturned in the ditch, killing her father, Moshe, 83, who was sitting next to her.

The Knesset will hold an urgent plenum debate today on one of this country's most notorious road-accident spots — the Motza bridge on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway.

The State List's Zalman Shoval, who will present the motion, says steps should be taken without delay to reduce accidents on the curve leading up to the bridge, and on the bridge itself, where fatalities and injuries are a regular occurrence.

University staff may strike over wage agreement

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The country's universities could face a strike by their academic staff and faculty members next week if a dispute over the signing of the college wage agreement is not solved.

An agreement was signed at the end of last September, but the various faculty members' organizations now refuse to have the agreement registered by the Labour Ministry chief labour relations officer, Ben Yissar, to make it official. The organizations say it cannot be registered as a collective agreement, since not all of the signatories to the original accord. (The agreement was signed by the coordinating council of faculty members' organizations.)

Meanwhile, Mr. Ben Yissar representatives of the striking Aviv university assistants as well as those who claim that they are underpaid in comparison to other professionals.

Fewer, but costlier strikes in 1973

TEL AVIV. — Israel had strikes but lost more working days during the first quarter of this year than in 1972. This information made available to the H.E. Trade Union Department yesterday.

There were 36 strikes in compared to 46 last year, in days lost amounted to more than 20,421 last year, compared to 20,007 days this year. It noted that 60 per cent of the days lost in the first quarter 1973 were caused by one-day test strikes of engineers and clerks and the work stoppage Beit-Shemesh turbo-jet motor.

TV ignored memor at Tel Yitzhak

TEL AVIV. — Hillel Seide Hestadrut Independent Liberaler, has protested at the fact that television ignored the ceremony of the monument to the fallen of the Jewish Legion in the Jordan Valley in 1968 in the Jordan Valley pursuit of terrorists.

Mr. Seide wrote to ILLP M. Moshe Kol asking him to raise the matter at Government level. Similar instances in the recent Mr. Seide wrote: "I can assume this policy by the fact that the events took place in kibbutz affiliated to the Independent Liberal Party."

San Simeon housing plan cut by half

The District Planning Commission in a surprise decision, yesterday by almost half the proposed of a housing development in near the San Simeon monastery.

The developers, headed by Knesset Member Yosef Kremer, had sought to build 45,000 metres of floor space. This was reduced by the Commission to square metres. The developer will cover 51 dunams with a 20 being left as a park, including existing grove.

An official of the Council Beautiful Israel, which had a fight against the project, said yesterday's decision "if this area is saved." Objections have been made by the neighbouring rael Goldstein Youth Village by the National Parks Authority which advocated a memorial area for the 42 Palmach killed in the battle for San Simeon in 1948.

Ya'acov Hetman, educator, journalist and L.L.I. commander — was killed yesterday morning in a road accident in London. He was 57.

Hetman's body will be flown tonight and the funeral will take place tomorrow.

Israel meets Japan today Asian Cup soccer match planned

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

SEOUL. — Mordechai Spiegler, Israel's former captain and professional footballer in France, leads the Israel attack Japan today in the 1974 World Cup Asian Zone preliminary here.

Spiegler comes in for Zvi Farikas, a surprise omission from the opening eleven. Besides Spiegler, Gideon Damti and Meade Onizawa will be the stars against Japan, supported by Yehuda Sharabani, Yitzhak Shum and Yaron Oz.

The match against Japan kicks off at 12.45 p.m. Israel time. The result will decide in which group Israel plays for the remainder of the tournament, among the seven Asian nations here.

The Israel Embassy, which has been extremely helpful to the soccer team since its arrival, arranged for it to train at a U.S. Army base, which claims a fine patch of grass. Ambassador Yehuda Harari has explained to the team that it is not ill will on the part of the South Koreans that conditions have not met with the approval of some of the Israeli officials. On the contrary, he said, the South Koreans have strong sympathy for Israel.

The Asian Soccer Federation has briefed referees to be extremely strict in order to enforce discipline on the playing fields.

The Israel team lineup today: Visoker, Gideon, Rosen, Primo, Borba, Oz, Shum, Sharabani, Damti, Spiegler, and Onana.

Ipswich win mini-football — 2-1

TEL AVIV. — Ipswich, the First Division team, won the first football tournament of the night, beating Huls in the final at the Yed Yehoshua last night, before a 3,000. In the semi-final, they beat Huls 2-0, while Huls beat Maccabi 3-0.

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Shiloah Institute study ituation of Arab rofessionals here aid 'time bomb'

JAMES WEISS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel is facing an "explosion" in the form of Arab professionals who cannot get a fair share of the country's economic growth. This is the conclusion of a study by the Shiloah Institute, a Middle Eastern Studies Center, which was commissioned by the Arab Office of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education in 1961 to 1971.

The study, which was completed last week, found that of the 328 Arabs who graduated from colleges and universities in Israel, almost 90 percent are working in the private sector. The study also found that the Arab graduates are not getting a fair share of the country's economic growth. The study also found that the Arab graduates are not getting a fair share of the country's economic growth.

The survey also tried to measure satisfaction with work. Most graduates were satisfied with their jobs. More than half of those interviewed said they wanted some other job. Dissatisfaction centered principally on the difficulty in getting ahead or earning more money in what was essentially a Jewish society. Of secondary importance was the degree of responsibility they were given or the interest which the work itself aroused.

Putting the problem generally, Mr. Reikhes says that the Arab college graduate now finds it difficult to return to traditional life in the village. At the same time, he is barred, partly by lack of training, partly by prejudice born of the Middle East conflict, from making his way in the more modern Jewish society of Israel.

VIGOROUS EFFORTS
The Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Shmuel Toledano, said yesterday that the Government is making "vigorous efforts" to secure more jobs for Arab high school and college graduates. He said that a circular had been sent to all Government services and public institutions instructing them to engage Arabs for vacant posts.

Mr. Toledano said one of the chief reasons for the pressure of the Arabs on the labor market is the weakness, in the absence of economic and industrial incentives, of jobs in their small enterprises staffed largely by family or clan members.

'Open Labour ranks'
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party youth division yesterday called on the party's executive bodies to open up its ranks to Arab members. The same body endorsed the demand of the division's Arab affairs committee for suitable representation of younger Arab candidates to the Knesset and municipal elections. Committee chairman Yehiel Abu Touma said young Arabs will not act by patiently in face of their exclusion from the candidates' lists.

Irrigation course
Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEIT DAGON. — The fifth international post-graduate irrigation course started here Monday at the Volcani Centre, with about 40 participants. For the first time, the course is designed for a specific area, and all the participants are from Latin American countries, with the majority from Mexico.

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Kansas governor says Nixon will complete term

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Governor Robert Docking of Kansas must hurry home today because "I have to report on Israel to Abba Eban this Friday!" The Foreign Minister will be appearing in Topeka, Kansas, on behalf of Israel Bonds, and Governor Docking wants to be there in time. "Mr. Eban will welcome me to Kansas."

Mr. Docking flew into Israel five days ago for his first visit here, and he says he is enormously impressed by everything he has seen and heard. "What this country has accomplished is fantastic," he says. He and his wife visited Masada, Jericho, the Israel Museum, Hadassah Hospital and the Hebrew University. They met with Absorption Minister Nathan Peled, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and top Foreign Ministry officials.

Governor Docking is a Democrat (although Kansas itself is predominantly Republican). His father, George, was a popular and successful Governor, and Governor Robert was elected, in 1967, partly on his father's merit. But now, with six years of efficient and well-liked administration, Robert is thinking of running for the Senate in the autumn. He believes his record and personal popularity can swing enough voters away from their traditional pro-Republican pattern.

Mr. Docking believes that his own party may well have gained from the discomfiture of the Republicans over Watergate, but he is by no means pleased with this. No Democrat, indeed no American, is happy about what has happened, he says. He does not envisage that the President will resign or be impeached and an act of impeachment is completing his term.

Two days after their arrival, the Dockings were joined by a group of 30 prominent Kansas citizens — members of a United Jewish Appeal Mission to Israel. This group will be staying here until May 22.

**Beduin sheikhs
honoured by
Negev university**
By H. BEN-ADI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEERSHEBA. — Four Negev Beduin sheikhs were made honorary fellows of the University of the Negev here on Monday night, in appreciation of their participation in a five-month study project by the university's geography department.

The four — Sheikhs Hamad Abu Rabiya, Hassan Abu Rabiya, Musa el-Atawneh and Salim el-Isa — were also given emblems of the university by the president, Prof. Moshe Frydman. The awards were presented at a *happah* (Beduin feast) at Tel Sheva.

Dr. Yehuda Grados, head of the geography department, said 35 students had spent two days a week for five months living and working with the area's Beduin, observing the changes that have taken place in their way of life since the former nomads became more settled.

Circassians fete
Jerusalem Post Reporter
AFULA. — The Circassian community of Kfar Kama, at the foot of Mt. Tabor, yesterday celebrated Israel's 25th Independence Day. Present at the festivities were Deputy Communications Minister Shmuel Toledano, the adviser to the Prime Minister on Arab Affairs, Mr. Shmuel Toledano, and guests from the neighbouring Jewish settlements and from the second Circassian village in Israel, Rihaniyah, in upper Galilee. Mr. Toledano announced a \$15,000 grant for the Circassian soldiers' home group and backing for a history of the community here, written by one of its members.

The Circassians came here 82 years ago from the Caucasian Mountains, after the intolerant Czarist regime occupied that area and treated Moslems harshly. They established their villages in this country, one of which was wiped out by malaria. Like the Druse, all Circassians men serve in the army.

GIVATI BRIGADE REUNION MAY 29
Jerusalem Post Reporter
REHOVOT. — Veterans of the Givati brigade, which helped stem the Egyptian advance on Tel Aviv in the War of Independence, will hold a reunion here on May 29.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

"17" Telegram Service
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The Ministry of Communications advises subscribers that, from May 15, 1973, the "17" service for sending telegrams via the telephone will be extended to be a 24-hour service.

In any "17" call, it will be possible to send only one telegram, containing up to 50 words.

Letter telegrams can be sent at night only (7 p.m.-7 a.m.). Deposit account telegrams, collect telegrams, and "journalist" telegrams will not be accepted. To facilitate accurate recording of telegrams, please use the letter-identification key given on p. 1584 of the 1972 telephone directory.

This service is being operated experimentally, for the time being. Permanent regulations will be formulated in the light of experience.

MINISTRY OF HOUSING

The Ministry of Housing announces

THE OPENING OF APPLICANTS' LISTS FOR 50 FLATS FOR FAMILIES WISHING TO SETTLE IN OPHIRA

Work in Ophira is guaranteed for the heads of families settling there.

The lists will be open from May 15 to June 29, 1973.

The official population committee will classify the applications, and will allot permits in accordance with established criteria.

Application forms can be obtained from the following places:

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The application form, completed in all details, and accompanied by the documents listed in the form, should reach the Ministry of Housing, Central Negev, P.O.B. 2343, Beersheba, by July 1, 1973.

Sharef contradicts officials: First Sharm flats ready this summer

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Housing Minister Zeev Sharef said in the Knesset yesterday the first 90 apartments in Ophira (Sharm el-Sheikh) will be completed and occupied in the summer of this year. He was speaking in the annual budget review.

Work will begin during the current fiscal year (ending March 1974) on 200 additional apartments. Plans are near completion for another 1,000 apartments—to be constructed as budgets permitted, he said.

Mr. Sharef's statements did not accord with what officials in Ophira of three other Government departments told a press tour last month. They said the first flats would be ready for occupancy only next year because of building delays caused by inter-departmental disputes and because equipment was slow to arrive.

Mr. Sharef said his Ministry would provide some 19,000 housing "solutions" for immigrants this year. These would include new apartments, mortgage loans and rental flats. In the four years 1970-1973, he said, housing would be supplied in one form or another to some 200,000 immigrants.

Also in 1973, he said, the Ministry would supply over 15,000 housing "solutions" to young couples, and close to 10,000 for slum clearance or high-density housing. Development areas would get some 4,000 housing "solutions," mostly new apartments, while kibbutzim and moshavim would get over 3,000 housing "solutions."

Mr. Sharef promised that the backlog in supply of housing for young couples would be eliminated by 1976 at the latest. Describing the efforts of the Housing Ministry to reduce the problem of high-density housing and slums, Mr. Sharef said that in 1972, only 43,700 families still lived at a density of three or more persons per room (which constituted 6.2 per cent of the Jewish population not counting kibbutz residents).

In 1972, he said, less than 13,000 families lived at a density of four or more persons per room (not counting in the kibbutzim). The Ministry would supply or begin to supply solutions for three-quarters of these 13,000 families in the current budgetary year, he promised, so as to reduce the density.

The rest would be handled in the 1974/75 budgetary year, he said. Eleven new villages would be built this year, Mr. Sharef said — nine of them beyond the old "green line." The total investment would be \$1.8bn. The World Zionist Organization was responsible for general planning of settlements beyond the

...Er-lai in the morning
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A drunken sailor anxious to cool off from Monday's *sharav*, raised a false alarm in the port last night.

At three yesterday morning, the Coastal Police were called by men on the Israeli freighter m.s. Sinai, anchored in the bay, who reported a man swimming near their ship "in suspicious circumstances."

By the time the police boat, moving carefully in order not to harm the swimmer, arrived at his reported location, he had disappeared. The police had started a search

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pre-1967 borders while the Housing Ministry was responsible for the actual execution, as well as the detailed planning.

He said housing starts were increasing faster than housing completions. This imbalance meant that it was taking too long to build houses. Only if fewer starts were made, he suggested, would it be possible to finish new apartments faster, and avoid a housing glut in future years.

The work force in the building industry totaled 125,000 in 1972 — or 11 per cent of Israel's total work force. Some 26,000 of the 125,000 hailed from the administered areas. An increasing number of Israeli Arabs had joined the building industry in recent years. Today 40 per cent of all the building force were Arabs from Israel or the areas — as compared with only 30 per cent in 1969.

In the debate, considerable criticism was voiced by opposition speakers, who alleged bad planning and inefficiency in the Housing Ministry. A number of coalition speakers laid more stress on the targets which still remained to be achieved, than on the results in building so far.

**Haifa housing shortage
'several' more years**

By YAA'COV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Housing for Haifa's young couples will remain scarce for several years, Acting Mayor Yeruham Zeisel admitted during the Municipal Council session on Monday. Some 700 couples had registered for a new housing scheme, but only 155 apartments were available for distribution.

Council member Shlomo Jungman (Gahal) pointed out that most of the couples that had registered for the scheme were entitled to public housing. Mr. Zeisel replied that many of the applicants would withdraw, but a certain shortage was inevitable because only 600 homes could be built during the next two to three years.

The coalition majority agreed with Gahal faction leader Mordechai Tikotzi about criticism of the Tal-pot market, which has been overrun by hawkers selling fresh produce and other goods on the sidewalk and from trucks. Aharon Shapira (Labour) and the Acting Mayor admitted that inspection and control should be strengthened.

The council also discussed traffic problems. Mr. Gustav Badian (Gahal) complained that major roadwork and parking projects listed in the city plan since 1967 had been delayed for years, leading to serious traffic congestion.

"Nothing moves, street surfaces are not maintained properly. Where are the inspecting teams? Why the inaction when this congestion has forseen six years ago?" Mr. Badian wanted to know.

Yosel Elustein (Labour) replied for the executive that many of the thoroughfares had been widened and the municipality had asked for tenders for a second Bailey bridge over the Kishon.

The Transport Ministry had lately stepped up its support for major traffic projects, because the city alone could not finance them. A major by-pass road over Mt. Carmel would be built soon. Parking was a difficult problem in cities everywhere and "we'll soon have to limit the entry of cars into the city centre at certain hours."

The Council gave final approval to a by-law obliging shop-keepers to keep the sidewalks in front of their businesses clean. Members also discussed the resignation of City Freeman Dr. Ruben Hecht, who withdrew from all municipal committees because of what he called the executive's disregard of committee recommendations.

**Israel goods promoted
at Hamashbir**
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Price reductions of 10 to 15 per cent will apply at Hamashbir Lazarchan's annual promotion week of Israeli-made goods, which opens in the chain's department stores throughout the country today.

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Rabbinical court fire thought arson

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PETAH TIKVA. — A fire broke out yesterday in the archives section of the Rabbinical court here. Police suspect arson.

The files concerning the "mamzerim" case of the Langer brother and sister, which were in the building, escaped the flames. Firemen were alerted to the building on Rehov Montefiore by neighbours who noticed flames coming out of the building. Police say that it is quite possible that someone who had a case pending or against whom the court has ruled wished to destroy the pertinent files.

Firemen could not save any of the files on the burning shelves but they quickly brought the blaze under control and prevented it from spreading to the other files.

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'CRUSADER-LIKE' CONFRONTATION

Sadat warns: 'Many years' before the conflict is resolved

CAIRO. — It may be many years before the Arab-Israeli conflict is resolved, President Anwar Sadat has told a closed meeting of the People's Assembly. "We may not witness the end of this conflict ourselves," he said.

His policy of total confrontation with Israel does not merely mean another quick battle along the Suez Canal, he said, comparing the present era with "the confrontation of the Crusades."

Six questions and answers, taken from three hours of questions and answers before Monday night's closed session, were published in late editions of the government-controlled press here yesterday.

The special parliamentary session was held to mark the second anniversary of the crushing of an anti-Sadat plot led by former Vice-President Ali Sabry.

"The case is one of a protracted struggle and not only the Suez Canal battle. There is the battle of America's interests, the battle of energy, the battle of the Arabs. These are big battles for which we must plan and coordinate."

Referring to the Six Day War, Sadat said "what happened in 1967 will never happen again. We must endure, and calculate deeply and calmly without nervousness, without hysterics, believing firmly that the battle is the difference between life and death."

TALKS ON OIL

Sadat stressed that he is continuing talks with some of the world's major oil producing countries, including Saudi Arabia. Sadat said Washington has based its Middle East policy in 1967 on the premise that Egypt was a bankrupt country, whereas in reality it has finished the Aswan High Dam and is finishing the Helwan iron and steel complex.

"Israel wants us to explode from the inside," Sadat said. "The enemy does not only want land but wants as well to own our fate and destiny and the fate and destiny of coming generations... I say we must rely on our own selves and face our destiny with courage."

He added that Egypt must develop self-sufficiency in weapons, a task which his Chief of Staff says may take 10 years.

Sadat said Egypt was preparing for battle against Israel in order to reawaken world interest in the Middle East crisis and to keep the Arab cause alive.

Sadat said Israel and the Soviet

Union, wanted the present cease-fire maintained, but that the continuation of a no-war no-peace situation without any progress toward a political settlement endangered the Arab cause.

The President revealed that Egypt was spending about \$700m. annually, in addition to other allocations, on the armed forces, and this means that "our speed in development decreased and our economy is over-charged."

Referring to recent calls for an Arab summit conference, President Sadat said he believed bilateral contacts were conducive to better results than summit conferences.

In his first public comment on the Lebanese-Israeli fighting, Sadat warned that "grave dangers" could emanate from the conflict.

He said "there is an indeed a very grave danger emanating from the Lebanese events. These events may have been contrived and pre-planned at this particular time when the enemy felt that Egypt and Syria were serious about their confrontation" with Israel.

He said he had tried since the outset of the crisis to contain the issue, but had found that the Lebanese army extended its attacks with the aim of liquidating the terrorists. "We declared our position, and I withdrew my personal envoy (Dr. Hassan Sabry el Kholi) and cabled my views to (Lebanese) President Franjeh."

(AP, Reuters, UPI)

5-year-old gets nuclear pacemaker

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP). — Heart transplant pioneer Prof. Christian Barnard yesterday implanted a nuclear pacemaker in the chest of a five-year-old boy.

The patient, Kobus Botha of nearby Bellville, received a pacemaker called Medtronic, manufactured in the U.S. and said to last 15 years. He was reported in satisfactory condition following the two-and-a-half-hour operation at the Red Cross Children's Hospital at Rondebosch.

It was the first implantation of a nuclear-powered heart pacer in South Africa. Medical sources said Barnard's patient may have been the youngest ever to receive such a device.

Pro-Israel church report condemned

By JACK MAURICE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — A group of 40 Jesuit priests living in Lebanon yesterday condemned the French Episcopal Committee on Jewish Relations for its recent report upholding the Jewish people's right to live in Israel.

The Lebanese Jesuits' statement, which was published by the daily "Le Figaro," accused Israel of "trampling underfoot human dignity and the rights of hundreds of millions of innocent people in order to ensure its domination of the territories which it has conquered."

The priests said: "If we condemn the persecution of which the Jews have been victims in Europe, we must also denounce the constant exploitation of the memory of these past dead in order to forget the oppression today of others by a strong state."

The Jesuits said that by avoiding use of the word "Palestinians," the eight bishops who signed the pro-Jewish statement in Paris had endorsed the Zionist view that there is no Palestinian people.

"All these errors cannot fail to aggravate the despair and hatred which it is the bishops' duty to relieve," the statement said.

Egypt wants U.N. Council meeting to be held next month

UNITED NATIONS (Reuters). — Egypt has told Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim it would like the forthcoming Security Council debate on the Middle East situation to begin on June 4.

An Egyptian spokesman said the matter was discussed when Ambassador Ahmed Hamed Abdel Meguid conferred late on Monday with Mr. Waldheim. The Egyptian view was also made known to this month's President of the Council, Ambassador Rahmatullah Abdulla of Sudan.

The debate, being held on Egypt's initiative, had been expected to start on May 29.

But it was felt this would be inconvenient for diplomats who want to attend the tenth anniversary meeting of the Organisation of African Unity in Addis Ababa towards the end of this month.

A report by Mr. Waldheim on the deadlocked efforts of U.N. peace envoy Gunnar Jarring is due to be published within the next two or three days.

Uganda to free 'Israeli agent'

NAIROBI (Reuters). — A British-born Kenya citizen who has been in prison in Uganda for four days on suspicion of being an Israeli agent is to be freed soon, usually well-informed sources here said last night.

Anthony Ravenscroft, 44, was arrested at a Kampala hotel last Thursday after going to Uganda on business.

The sources said they had been told that Uganda President General Idi Amin had now promised to release Mr. Ravenscroft after being assured that he was not an Israeli agent.

Uganda expelled all Israelis and broke off diplomatic relations with Israel last year.

Mr. Ravenscroft's mother, Mrs. Ruby Ravenscroft of Exmouth in Devon, England, who flew to Kenya at the weekend following her son's arrest, told Reuters last night: "If this is true we are overjoyed."

GEISE. — Police in Winchester, England, are advising local farmers to be on guard as they go to buy geese as guards. "No one can get past a goose without its hearing and some villains are frightened of them," a police spokesman said.



Italian Antonio Scarbo, foreground, alleged ringleader of illegal currency transfer operation in Egypt, sits in dock in Cairo during opening session yesterday of trial of 108 persons including 48 foreigners.

Cairo currency trial opens

CAIRO (AP). — Defense attorneys asked the state to call a former Deputy Premier and former Minister of Economy as witnesses yesterday as the trial of 108 persons, including 48 foreigners, opened.

The defendants are alleged to have been involved in a \$10m. illegal currency transfer operation which the state said was designed to damage the Egyptian economy in time of war.

Defense attorneys asked that Mohamed Abdullah Marzban, who recently served as Deputy Prime

Minister for Economy, and one time Minister of Economy Hassan Abbas Zaki be called as witnesses. Zaki is currently councillor to the ruler of Abu Dhabi.

Foreigners facing charges include Americans, Canadians, Greeks and one person each from Britain, Belgium, France, Holland and South Africa.

Security officials have said the alleged ring was allegedly run by 61-year-old Italian engineer Antonio Scarbo.

W. German police raid extremists ahead of Brezhnev visit

BONN (Reuters). — Special police raided the homes of Maoists in West Berlin and several West German towns yesterday, three days before the arrival Friday of Soviet Union Party Chief Leonid Brezhnev. They detained one anti-Moscow leader.

Juergen Horlemann, a leader of the small so-called Maoist Communist Party of Germany was arrested in Dortmund, the Ruhr industrial city which Mr. Brezhnev is expected to visit during his five-day official visit.

The raids are believed to be part of strict security precautions being taken by the West German Government to protect the Soviet leader from attacks or demonstrations threatened by right and left-wing extremists.

Eugene Rabinowitch nuclear expert, dies

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Eugene Rabinowitch, 71, nuclear scientist and co-founder of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, died yesterday, his family announced.

Rabinowitch was senior chemist and section chief of the Manhattan Project, which produced the first controlled nuclear chain reaction and led to the detonation of the atomic bomb in the period 1942-46. In 1946, he and Hyman Goldsmith founded the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, which devoted much of its efforts to relating the hazards and possibilities of modern scientific developments.

Rabinowitch, born August 26, 1901, in St. Petersburg (now Leningrad), Russia, came to the U.S. in 1938. At the time of his death he was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, on leave from the State University of New York, Albany, where he was Professor of Chemistry.

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BEFORE KISSINGER TALKS
Hanoi blasts U.S. on truce 'sabotage'

SAIGON. — The North Vietnamese Foreign Minister assailed U.S. last night in the strongest language since the cease-fire into effect, accusing it of "sabotage and flagrant provocation" allegedly renewing air strikes in South Vietnam.

The U.S. Embassy in Saigon denied the charges for the third

The official statement by the North Vietnamese Foreign Ministry implied that Hanoi's Le Duc Tho would call off meetings beginning tomorrow in Paris with U.S. presidential adviser Henry Kissinger if there is any further American bombing of Vietnam-controlled areas in South Vietnam.

It came a day after Mr. Tho, arriving in Paris, charged that the alleged air raids are aimed at putting pressure on the North Vietnamese during the negotiations to discuss ways of implementing the Paris agreement signed nearly four months ago. Each side has accused the other of violating the agreement, and the shooting and bloodshed continue in South Vietnam.

But in Paris yesterday, both American and North Vietnamese officials said that the Kissinger-Tho talks will begin as scheduled. Dr. Kissinger arrives here this evening.

The focus of the discussions between Dr. Kissinger and Mr. Tho, will be on finding a way to halt the fighting in Cambodia, according to well-informed sources in Paris.

The two men, who last met in Hanoi in February, will also discuss means for stricter observance of the cease-fire in South Vietnam and Laos as well as resumption of mine-sweeping operations in North Vietnamese harbours and American reconstruction aid for North Vietnam.

The de-mining operations and negotiations on economic aid were suspended last month in retaliation against Hanoi's reported destruction of 80,000 soldiers into South Vietnam since the signing of the Paris peace agreement.

Accompanying Dr. Kissinger to Paris will be Mr. William Sullivan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Southeast Asian Affairs.

Mr. Sullivan conferred with North Vietnamese Deputy Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thuan here a fortnight ago, paving the way for the Kissinger-Tho talks, which are expected to last three or four days.

(AP, Reuters)

Impasse in Beirut

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanon's crisis remained deadlocked yesterday with the biggest obstacle to a settlement the presence of heavy arms in Palestinian refugee camps. President Suleiman Franjeh and army leaders were reported holding firm to their demand that an agreement with the terrorists, which includes removal of the arms, be reached before a new government is named and the state of emergency lifted.

Fatah chief Yasser Arafat maintains he is ready to negotiate "but we want these discussions held with a responsible government and not under a state of emergency."

Premier Amin Hafez presented the terrorist view during four hours of talks with Franjeh and army leaders at the presidential palace. Hafez saw Arafat on Monday and was expected to meet him again today.

Police informants told newsmen there still was disagreement over removal of heavy arms from refugee camps. Franjeh also was reported to be insisting that some form of Lebanese sovereignty over the 15 camps in Lebanon be reinstated.

Lebanese newspapers said Hafez was under increasing pressure to withdraw the resignation he submitted on May 7 when new fighting erupted and the state of emergency was declared. After the meeting with Franjeh, Hafez told newsmen his efforts as mediator were "a national duty. The question of the premiership is not under discussion at the moment."

Earlier, terrorist radio broadcasts from Cairo said the fragmented Palestinian groups would unify under one command. There were indications that Arafat had reassessed his authority over militant radicals.

The broadcasts from Cairo said: "The recent crisis in Lebanon has convinced leaders of all guerrilla groups that a full military merger is imperative."

'Weak child' enjoys her 100th birthday

MILFORD, Del. (AP). — When Emma Stanton of Milford was a child, doctors told her she wouldn't live through her teens. She was "tiny and very weak."

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Indian mobs kill 10, par over headhunters, poison

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — Mobs have beaten at least 10 people to death in Bihar state because of rumours that child kidnappers are operating, police said yesterday.

Rumours have circulated in the northeast Indian state for several weeks of child snatchers, headhunters and poisoners. Police said they had found no evidence to back the kidnapping had been reported.

Three people have been clubbed to death by mobs in the state capital, Patna, in the last 24

police reported.

Police say the rumours came from the finding of a pile of skulls in the town of Purnea last But they believe the skulls left by tribesmen who regulate skulls and sell them to

Government vehicles have touring the countryside said ple not to take the law into their own hands but to hand s over to police.

Solzhenitsyn fall from favour told

MOSCOW (UPI). — A close friend of Alexander Solzhenitsyn has written a book chronicling the Nobel Prize-winning novelist's fall from official favour in the 10 years since his first novel was published and praised.

Zhores Medvedev, the internationally known biologist now working in Britain, wrote the book, entitled "Ten Years After 'One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich'." It is now circulating here unofficially in manuscript form. In the introduction Medvedev said he wrote it to commemorate the anniversary of a famous discovery. Solzhenitsyn's "Ivan Denisovich" was the first Soviet book to portray life in a Stalinist prison camp.

The scientist's book describes the publication of "Ivan Denisovich" after numerous difficulties, and the initial praise lavished on it (Solzhenitsyn was elected to the Soviet Writers' Union without even applying), and finally events that led to official criticism of Solzhenitsyn as an anti-Soviet slanderer.

Mrs. Court blames 'sneakiness' in lo to old tennis pro

LONDON (AP). — Margaret Australian tennis star, said day she is ready to take on Riggs again and would be next time.

She blamed the "circus-like atmosphere" for her 6-2, 6-1 by the 55-year-old American, Monday, Calif., last weekend.

Mrs. Court, 30, said at I Heathrow Airport: "Bobby is a great tennis player. I cause I could not adjust carnival atmosphere in which match was played and I was mentally flat."

Mrs. Court claimed that professional women players 10 weeks beat Riggs, who Wimbledon title in 1960 and 1961 before she was born. "He messed me around as my normal style of play," a tralian said. "It was all a t ky."

HORSES. — The U.S. agriculture department says the world population is expected to four-fifths of one per cent to an estimated 72.6 million.

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PACIFIC NUCLEAR TESTS

Australian unions
start boycott today

SYDNEY (Reuters). — Australian unions have started a boycott of French goods, ships, and communications in protest against French nuclear tests in the South Pacific.

The boycott starts at midnight today and will be no time limit to it, President Robert Hawke said yesterday.

A press conference that test series came to an end would consider the ban in areas where it is seen to be having an impact. An example was the ban on the handling or purchase of any goods originating from France.

All communications services to and from France, the Australian Executive also called on the government to impose the diplomatic and economic sanctions against France until the programme was abandoned.

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) condemned French nuclear tests in the Pacific, which it said were continuing despite strong opposition from around the world.

The IAEA's 1973 yearbook, the *Annual Report*, which is financed by the United Nations, also called for an end to nuclear tests — which it described as ineffective means of defence.

The report saw no hope for an end to the arms race so long as China had a marked inferiority in nuclear weapons to the U.S. and Soviet Union.

In New Zealand, trade unionists are not yet ready to follow the lead of their counterparts in Australia in banning the handling of French goods. But two New Zealand protest boats are heading for the French nuclear test area at Mururoa atoll.

Nato ministers
discuss nuclear
arms balance

ANKARA (AP). — The Nuclear Planning Group of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization met here yesterday to review the nuclear weapons balance between the East and West.

The U.S. was represented by Assistant Secretary of Defense Robert Hill. Britain, Germany, Italy, Turkey, Norway and Canada sent their Defence Ministers to the two-day meeting of eight Nato member states.

A spokesman said the agenda included a discussion of developments in the Soviet-American talks over Strategic Arms Limitation.

The spokesman said the balance of nuclear weapons seemed to remain in favour of the Western alliance despite the numerical might of the Soviets.

The Nuclear Planning Group, which first met in 1967, was formed with the aim of providing Nato members which do not possess nuclear weapons with a share in planning and decision.



Flanked by President and Mrs. Pompidou, King Faisal of Saudi Arabia attends a banquet in his honour at the Trianon Palace at Versailles on Monday night.

(AP radio photo)

Faisal meets
with Pompidou

PARIS (AP). — King Faisal of Saudi Arabia and his principal advisers yesterday met for a full-scale political discussion at the Elysee Palace with President Pompidou.

Also participating in the talks were Premier Pierre Messmer, Foreign Minister Michel Jobert and Defence Minister Robert Galley.

Earlier, the Saudi King warned members of the Franco-Saudi Arab Association not to allow "Zionist or Communist deviations" to deflect France from its policy of friendship with the Arab nations.

On the second day of his official visit to France, Faisal received a delegation of the association at his residence in the Trianon Palace near Versailles. He told the group that relations between France and Saudi Arabia were "an example of friendship, cooperation and solidarity for the well-being of our two peoples and all humanity."

Selassie, Nixon
start talks

WASHINGTON (AP). — Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia made a ceremonial entrance to the White House yesterday to begin talks with President Nixon in the Oval Office.

The 80-year-old Emperor drove past a line of military honour guards after a brief ride from Blair House, the presidential guest house across the street, where he is staying.

"This talks got underway after a picture-taking session in which President Nixon said the Emperor had probably made more visits to Washington than any other head of government," Mr. Nixon said.

Sitting in on the talks was Ethiopian Foreign Minister Dr. Melesse Hailu, whom Nixon described as "the highest paid interpreter we've ever had in this room." But, Mr. Nixon pointed out that "Your Majesty speaks very good English."

Informed sources said the Emperor came to Washington to plead with Mr. Nixon that continued U.S. military aid to his country is needed to maintain the delicate balance of power in the area bordered by the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

The 81-year-old Emperor is known to be concerned about developments in the Horn of Africa and the gradual penetration of the Soviet Union into the area.

Europe Council urges
anti-hijack steps

STRASBOURG (AP). — Members of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe yesterday approved efforts at putting more pressure on governments to combat plane hijackers and other terrorists.

Speaker after speaker endorsed recommendations that the 17 member governments:

- Ratify existing accords to curb hijacking.
- Use all their influence, economic as well as political, to dissuade governments from letting terrorists use their soil to prepare actions, or for sanctuary after they act.
- Work out a joint front against terrorism by coordinating their action in the United Nations and by calling a special conference of interior ministers to take measures against terrorists.

The speakers made it plain that they were mostly aiming at the Arab states. Their recommendations, however, have no binding force on their governments.

Earlier, Arab states came under attack for giving protection to airplane hijackers and other terrorists.

A report by Karl Czernetz, an Austrian Socialist, said: "The real solution lies in the hands of certain Arab governments which provide indirect or direct financial assistance to terrorists, allow them to operate from their territory and provide them with sanctuary. So far there are no signs that the member states — of the Council of Europe — have exerted any real diplomatic pressure on these governments to persuade them that such action is not in their interests."

He added: "Violence against those who are neutral and innocent is a mean crime."

A meeting of Cabinet ministers on Monday failed to carry out a recommendation of the Assembly that a conference of interior ministers be called to take concrete measures.

Roy Mason, a Labour member of the House of Commons, said in a speech prepared for yesterday's meeting: "One major worry to all concerned with safe air travel is that the Arab nations, although members of the International Civil Aviation Organization and most of them members of the International Air Travel Association, are not co-operating with the same goodwill as most of the members of the two international organizations."

Both the report and Mr. Mason's speech urged sanctions against countries helping hijackers. Proposals that would provide them have failed to get the necessary support among the membership of international organizations, from the United Nations down.

A diplomatic conference is due to meet in Rome on August 21 on the proposals that have been made.

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BY JUNE 28 ELECTION DAY

IRA vows to kill
20 more soldiers

BELFAST (UPI). — The Irish Republican Army has vowed to kill another 20 British soldiers in the next six weeks, sources close to the IRA said yesterday.

The sources said the IRA's Provisional wing has vowed to bring the total of British soldiers killed to 200 by the June 28 election for a new Northern Ireland Assembly.

Four persons died on Monday in bombing and shootings and another died from wounds suffered earlier. Police said it was the highest number of deaths from violence in a 24-hour period for some time. Monday's deaths raised to 791 the number of people killed in violence in Northern Ireland.

Army sources said its information is that the Provisionals have been ordered to set up operations. The sources said they expect the Provisionals to use more snipers against patrols.

Northern Ireland Secretary William Whitelaw yesterday warned of dangers facing innocent people from the IRA's increasing use of booby trap bombs.

Police in Northern Ireland yesterday began selecting candidates to contest the 78 seats at stake in the assembly elections. The Government announced on Monday that nomination day will be June 5.

In Dublin, an Irish Navy officer told a court yesterday that Joe Cahill, former Belfast leader of the IRA, took the blame for the five tons of arms and explosives on board the coaster *Claudia*. The officer was the commander of the unit which arrested the Cyprus-registered, West German vessel *Claudia* as she headed towards the southern coast of Ireland.

Cahill and five other men were jointly charged with possessing and illegally importing weapons and explosives. Cahill and two others also faced charges of IRA membership.

Death penalty
in N. Ireland
is abolished

LONDON (AP). — The House of Commons voted 253-94 on Monday to abolish the death penalty in Northern Ireland. Britain's administrator in the province insisted execution was not an effective deterrent.

The anti-hanging majority of 159 was produced on a free vote, with members voting according to conscience and not on party lines. The maximum penalty now will be life imprisonment.

Only one of the 12 Northern Ireland M.P.s, Robin Chichester-Clark, voted to retain the death penalty. Ministers said privately the small pro-hanging vote had apparently removed capital punishment as an issue in British politics for at least a generation.

Hanging was abolished in Britain seven years ago but retained in Northern Ireland, which then had its separate domestic Parliament, for murders of police, prison officers and soldiers on security duty. The last execution there for killing a police officer was in 1944.

Black sex is
Sport for So.
Africa police

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (AP). — Black men and women said Monday they were forced to have sex with each other under a table in a railway ticket office in New Brighton African Township — while a group of white and non-white policemen watched.

They were giving evidence at a magistrate's preliminary hearing at which three white and two non-white railway policemen are charged on four counts of criminal injury.

One of the whites also is charged with raping a coloured woman. According to evidence, four black railway employees and four women were arrested last December 22 and taken to New Brighton railway ticket office.

The men and women said they were told to get under the table in the room and have intercourse. The lights in the room were on but a torch was shone on them as well. They all said they felt terribly degraded.

The Railway Police are separate from the South African Police. The hearing will decide whether to send the accused for trial in the Supreme Court, or to dismiss them.

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In Peking: American
flag was too big

BEIJING (Reuters). — The U.S. office in Peking yesterday said its first full working day in the city was a problem — American flag too big for office.

The office, which is the first can permit permanent presence in the Communist capital since 1949, was officially opened on Monday with the arrival of the chief, David Bruce.

Foreign residents entitled to an American flag ed yesterday morning on a pole projecting from the apartment where the temporary house were situated. Slightly embarrassed American officials said a flag to fit the pole was way.

Bruce spent his first morning in Peking inspecting what will be the permanent site of the American office, a small walled compound containing office accommodation and a residence for him in separate buildings linked by a short covered passageway.

Over 300 Chinese construction workers, including a number of women, are working in four six-hour shifts day and night to complete the work. Chinese officials say it should be completed by June 1 and the Americans will move in shortly after.

From Baltimore, Maryland, a Pan American World Airways jet took off from Friendship International Airport yesterday for a flight to Peking. The Boeing 707 cargo plane was chartered by the State Department to carry 70,000 lbs. of office equipment for the new U.S. office.

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Tsar Nicholas II survived
Russian Revolution: Thorpe

LONDON (AP). — A British politician said Monday he believed there was evidence that the last Tsar, Nicholas II, escaped in the Bolshevik revolution.

Thorpe, leader of the Liberty, said: "The mystery of the Tsar's fate is yielding up its secrets. The assassination ver- increasingly open to doubt."

Thorpe, Liberal leader since Monday night to Foreign Secretary Alec Douglas-Home read his inquiry.

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"I believe it to be in the possession of the British or U.S. governments and that it points firmly to the conclusion that in fact the Tsar escaped from Russia accompanied by the Grand Duchess Olga, and members of his family," Mr. Thorpe declared.

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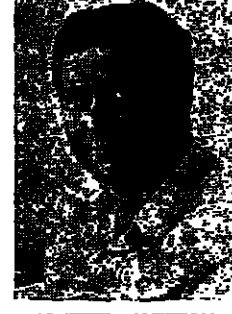
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SOVIET ANTI-SEMITISM IS NOW 'RESPECTABLE'

Descriptions of the anti-Semitic (nominally, anti-Zionist) literature produced in large quantities in the U.S.S.R. are revolting. The journal "Jews in Eastern Europe" lists 32 such publications over the past 2-3 years, all in popular editions for mass consumption.

Most alarming is the fact that a major target for these books are Soviet servicemen and youth in general. The educational authorities seem to have embarked on raising a new generation of anti-Semites.

This report notes that anti-Semitism—once described as the "socialism of imbeciles"—is now a respectable component of official ideology. "For several years there has been a flourishing literature employing variants of anti-Semitic stereotypes, many of them manufactured in Soviet propaganda factories, some imported from Poland and the Middle East or exhumed from 19th century Tsarist Russia."

'Rich bourgeoisie'

The Elders of Zion have become the "international Zionist conspiracy" and the "international Jewish bankers" of the Nazis are the "international rich bourgeoisie" of the Soviets. An original and dangerous innovation is that Israel and the rich Jewish bourgeoisie have replaced Nazism as the principal enemy of mankind. Most of this appears in newspapers and magazines but there is also an upsurge of books.

It will be recalled that when the Ukrainian journalist Kichko published his notorious "Judaism without Embellishment" (under the auspices of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences) in 1964, the book was speedily disowned—under the pressure of protests from outside, notably from western Communist parties. Now, however, Kichko is riding high and his later publications, containing the same material, are "best-sellers."

His new book is a familiar farago of ignorance, half-truths and deliberate falsehoods. There is a long attack on the policies of the Israeli Minister of Education, Dr. S. Levenberg; (Dr. Levenberg is the Jewish Agency representative in London but Kichko persistently re-



Geoffrey Wigoder's
JEWISH SCENE

fers to his role as what he calls "Minister of Darkness" in Israel.) He is capable of writing that "nearly 200,000 Jewish children are studying in schools in Birobidzhan" (where even the Soviet census puts the total Jewish population at 14,000). In other words, truth is irrelevant even for facts his readers could check if they wished.

In his "Zionism — Enemy of Youth," Kichko writes such things as: "The killing of the young, not only of goyim but also of the Jewish young, is preached in the Tora and was long practised by the believers of Judaism, forerunners of the Zionists."

He puts into the mouth of Ben-Gurion the statement that if he had the power, he would train young Jews to masquerade as anti-Semites and persecute other Jews so as to force them to go to Israel. He lists various "masked Zionists" in Russian history — such as Trotsky! And devotes an entire chapter to the "Zionist masterminding" of the 1956 Hungarian rising and their attempts to stir socialism from within in Poland. The work is replete with such pronouncements as "The six-pointed Star of David acquires the splendor of the swastika."

For the young

Another offensive and well-distributed book is called "Fascism Under the Blue Star" (a popular edition appeared in 70,000 copies). It is significantly also a Komsomol publication and therefore intended for the young. Its thesis is as follows: Zionism is the modern fascism. It conducts a systematic policy of conquest and genocide, constitutes a major international threat and is leading the world to a third world war. It exploits and oppresses the international working class. Through its secret networks, it dominates the world, causing governments and regimes to stand or fall at will. It controls over a

thousand newspapers and magazines and dominates 32 powerful radio stations.

It too is replete with the wildest statements such as that Zionists actively participated in the killing of Jews at Babi Yar. Ilya Ehrenburg is censured for praising the "Zionist" Chagall and even Verges, editor of the "Sovietish Heimland" is criticized for questioning Lenin's theories about the Jews (one way of saying that no Jew can be trusted).

The crude incitement of this book provoked outrage and alarm among Soviet Jews, 35 of whom took the unprecedented step of submitting a detailed criticism to the U.S.S.R. Prosecutor-General and calling for the prosecution of the author ("Jews in Eastern Europe" reproduces this document in full).

The volume of similar publications in the provinces is so great that the majority are unknown in the West. But those put out in central cities are well-known. "The Reactionary Nature of Zionism" was published in Moscow in 100,000 copies. The book "Charysenthum on Prison Walls" (50,000 copies) deals with the Israel secret service and gives a gruesome account of how the fallen of president Enrico Mattei was murdered by a group of spies "including Moshe Dayan and Mordechai Limon" for conducting an agreement with the Soviet Union. In general there is a singular preoccupation with the Shik Bet in the Soviet Press and few are the crimes that are not ascribed to it.

Attempts to export "the big lie" have proved less successful. A few months ago, the Soviet Novosti Press Agency published a blatant essay in anti-Semitism. It charged the Jewish religion and its adherents with evil and monstrous practices and depicted Judaism as a criminal anti-human conspiracy.

The London "Times" reports that this document may have been a market research exercise to test public reaction. It was released by the Soviet information offices in Rome and Paris — but neither the French or Italian Communist organs reprinted it. It has been pointed out that sections are copied word for word from Tzarist anti-Semitic literature — even to the spelling mistakes. **GEOFFREY WIGODER**

NEW U.S. ENVOY TO ISRAEL Kenneth Keating, a lawyer, politician and diplomat

WASHINGTON. — Kenneth B. Keating, the newly-nominated U.S. Ambassador to Israel — to succeed Mr. Watworth Barbour — brings a depth of experience in law, politics and diplomacy to his important new post.

The White House announcement on Monday of the appointment came four days short of Mr. Keating's 73rd birthday.

The appointment, which must be confirmed by the Senate, continues a recent pattern of President Nixon in turning to seasoned U.S. diplomats for service in important posts.

Mr. Keating has visited Israel nine times since — as he once put it — he was "struck by the young country's vitality" in 1949. His last visit was in November 1971, while on his way back to his post as Ambassador in New Delhi.

Mr. Keating, who was born in Lima, New York, gained a B.A. from the University of Rochester in New York in 1919.

He studied law at Harvard, where he was awarded a Bachelor of Law degree in 1924. An honorary doctorate in law was conferred upon him by the University of Rochester in 1954.

Mr. Keating is a widower. He practiced law privately from 1923 to 1948 as a partner in a Rochester law firm before entering political life as a U.S. congressman from New York State.

In 1968 he moved to the Senate, where he served until 1965.

Court of Appeals

The next year he was elected to the New York Court of Appeals, where he served until 1969, when he was named U.S. Ambassador to India.

Mr. Keating served in New Delhi until he resigned in 1972 to campaign for the re-election of President Nixon.

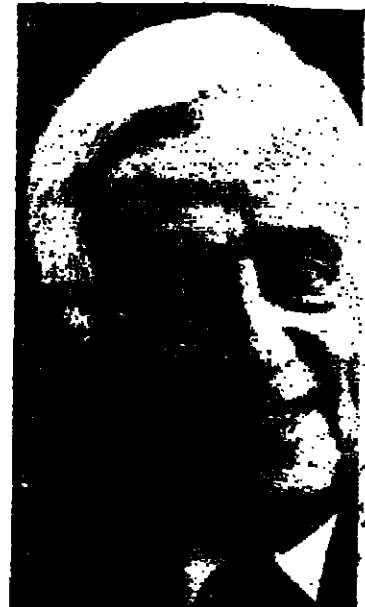
Keating said he was so impressed by Nixon's diplomatic initiatives in China and the Soviet Union that "I thought I would be of greater service to my country by doing what I could to work for his re-election."

Mr. Keating's experience in international relations as a congressman included membership on U.S. Congressional delegations to inter-parliamentary union meetings in Vienna, Helsinki, Bangkok and London. He also represented the U.S. Congress at meetings of the Inter-Governmental Committee on European Migration in 1956 and 1957.

A U.S. Army sergeant in World War I, Mr. Keating rose from major to brigadier-general in World War II, during which he also earned the U.S. Legion of Merit Award with oak clusters, and the British O.B.E.

An AP correspondent writes from New York:

Kenneth Keating has held 32 jobs in his life and was fired



Kenneth Keating

from only one. The first day that job he set ragged rows cabbage as a 14-year-old hand in his home town. On second and last day he pite hay.

"The farmer decided my task lay elsewhere," Keating recalled in his Manhattan law office. In the intervening years, Keating was also a soda-jerk, factory worker and a print assistant, before becoming a congressman.

Keating said he was truly opposed to the Vietnam War but that once the U.S. had tared the conflict, he supported the Administration.

"Obviously I did not have the information which the people in government had, but I have strong feeling that when a government is in a war, we should support it."

"You may have many reservations in your mind about what you know, but to publicly oppose the President's action is just my way to perform what I consider to be the duties of citizenship."

Kissinger statement

During his Indian service, Keating was embarrassed by a disclosure of a cable he said he had written to President Nixon about the U.S. stance on the Pakistan War.

Keating characterized his Indian assignment as a "very every minute," but he lectured that he still found it to swim in his pool twice a year round. For exercise now, he walks.

Keating says of his one in the Senate that it was "hardest, most grinding and had the longest hours any job."

Asked why a man whose career has been so seemingly would consider yet another onerous job, he replied: "I can't conceive, as long my health remains so good, of retiring. I think I'd just put it in to remain out whether it's in government or not. I always like the challenge of a new assignment."

AT THE CINEMA Travesty of Bronte

The latest film version of WUTH-ERING HEIGHTS (Gai, Tel Aviv) is really a travesty of Emily Bronte's extraordinary novel. It is true that without the elemental passion and the wild romanticism of the original, the plot does seem rather ridiculous and, unfortunately, that is just what scenario writer Patrick Tilley and director Robert Fuest have done. In fact they have shown so little imagination in handling the story that at times it seems almost farcical.

Heathcliff, the orphan boy whom farmer Earnshaw adopts to bring up with his own children, Hindley and Catherine, and who becomes Cathy's twin soul ("I am Heathcliff" she cries at one point), is played by Timothy Dalton, a handsome young man who was Prince Rupert in "Cromwell." His grimaces, struts around and overacts in a ludicrous way and not for a minute does he convince you that he

is a demonic being. It is true that Heathcliff is a very strange figure but anyone who can remember Laurence Olivier in the 1939 film knows that it is possible to make him credible and magnetic.

Most of the performances are exaggerated and mannered. Judy Cornwell's Nelly (the servant girl who narrates the story) being particularly annoying. Only Anna Calder-Marshall's Cathy has a warmth and life but even she does not project the poetic quality of Emily's Cathy. But maybe this is the fault of the script.

What does come out well is John Yorkston's photography with the Yorkshire moors taking on an atmosphere of doom and malignancy. The best scene is the finale when Heathcliff, after Cathy's death in childhood, meets his own death and joins her spirit on the uplands where they had pledged eternal love.

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7:55 p.m. Opening: 8:00 "Musical Anthology" Winds as Solo Instruments, and in Wind Orchestras - Works by J.C. Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Rimsky-Korsakov, Holst and Debussy. 8:05 Anthology (cont.). 10:05 "From the Archives" (cont.). A portrait of the Israeli Composer Haim Schlegel (on the occasion of his 80th birthday). 11:00 "Frit La'mit" sketch. 11:15 Programme for Elementary Schools. 11:35 Times and Songs. 12:35 Programme for Elementary Schools. 12:35 Close Down.

1:58 Opening. 2:10 Mother and Child. 2:05 "25 Years Ago Today". 2:10 "First Broadcast". 2:15 "The People are with us". 2:20 "The People are with us". 2:25 "The People are with us". 2:30 "The People are with us". 2:35 "The People are with us". 2:40 "The People are with us". 2:45 "The People are with us". 2:50 "The People are with us". 2:55 "The People are with us". 3:00 "The People are with us". 3:05 "The People are with us". 3:10 "The People are with us". 3:15 "The People are with us". 3:20 "The People are with us". 3:25 "The People are with us". 3:30 "The People are with us". 3:35 "The People are with us". 3:40 "The People are with us". 3:45 "The People are with us". 3:50 "The People are with us". 3:55 "The People are with us". 4:00 "The People are with us". 4:05 "The People are with us". 4:10 "The People are with us". 4:15 "The People are with us". 4:20 "The People are with us". 4:25 "The People are with us". 4:30 "The People are with us". 4:35 "The People are with us". 4:40 "The 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Kaplan Efficiency ize award tonight

Individuals, teams and firms will be awarded the Kaplan Prizes for efficiency at a ceremony at the University of Tel Aviv tonight.

The awards, which are given annually, recognize the achievements of individuals, teams and firms in the field of efficiency. The awards are given in three categories: individual, team and firm.

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Agribusiness Industry Production Undertakings Ltd. for switching its production lines from regular methods to those demanding meticulous exactness.

Mr. Mordechai Darvish and his team for increasing efficiency in laying out and maintaining the Municipal gardens and "Beauty Spots" in Jerusalem.

The Lod Metal Works for developing methods which increased both production and standards while utilizing less manpower.

Mr. Amihud Carmiel, of Mafal Haneke, for a series of technical and organizational achievements which increased efficiency and production considerably in several plants producing agricultural equipment.

The teams employed in the Armoured Corps Workshops and in the Ordnance Department for developing systems for maintaining tank motors, leading to a 60 per cent increase in output and a 17 per cent reduction in man-hours.

Elshar Ltd. for developing systems of warehousing wheat, soyas and fodder for extended periods without using insecticides. The method is based on forced ventilation.

Mrs. Lydia Bogal, Chief Nurse at the Kaplan Hospital, for introducing more efficient methods in the hospital while maintaining "high standards of human relations."

The Or-Mat Turbine Company for introducing original methods of production, as well as marketing methods, which led to sales in 22 countries.

David Raz, of the Military Industries, for displaying "initiative, an inventive ability, vision and excellent organizing methods" which led to the solving of many complex engineering problems.

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WOLFSBURG, Germany (AP). — Volkswagen, the steadily selling auto plant, reported Monday a 40 per cent gain in net profit for 1972, but chairman Rudolf Leiding said earnings are still far from satisfactory.

Presenting the company's 1972 annual report, Leiding said that Volkswagen's world-wide profits last year were 205.5m. marks or \$63.5m, up from 146.7m. marks or \$45.5m in 1971 (conversions based on the then prevailing exchange rate of 3.32 marks per dollar).

He noted the increase came despite a 3 per cent dip in 1972 sales — \$4.9 billion compared to \$5 billion in 1971.

Net profit of the parent company was \$30.3m, sharply up from \$3.1m in 1971.

Leiding said Volkswagen will offer a new model every year, and possibly at shorter intervals up to 1976.

The new line, he said, will definitely include a car equipped with the rotary piston engine.

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Stocks up on broad front

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
TEL AVIV. — Stock prices rose yesterday on a broad front with a turnover of 11.2m. against 11.6m. the previous day. In the variables 11.4/15m. worth of shares changed hands, against 11.800,000 on Monday. The general index of share prices rose by 1.10 per cent, to 289.08 points.

This sudden hardening could well be a reaction to the drifting of prices over a considerable period. On the other hand it could also be the forerunner of prudent investors, who interpret the rise of 5.3 points (or 3.85 per cent) in the Cost-of-Living Index published yesterday, as the last steep rise in the next few months and they are looking for profitable investments in equities. Whatever the case, the public was not particularly active yesterday, and the main interest came from brokers and speculators.

L.D.R. Bank Holding rose 4 1/2 points to 270.5. Development and Mortgage Bank rose an even 10 points to 237 (25,800). Tetahot rose six to 233.5 (11,500). Other shares of the financial section rose one to three points.

Delek registered jumped eight points to 234 (18,000), as did I.L.D.C. to 219 (34,500). Israel and Property and Building gained seven points each.

Industrial shares were quieter, rising only a few points on light volume.

Investment companies again were two to six points better on increased volume.

With the announcement of the Consumers Price Index rise towards the end of the day, interest in bonds slackened. Turnover was 11.5m.

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5% Dead Sea Junior f 208 208.1
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5% Electric Corp. B f 120.9 120.9

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(Principal & Interest) b 210.6 210.4
Kilts 1968 Index 110.1 b 178 178.5
Bithan 1968 Series A b 160.8 161.3

COMMERCE BANKS
& BANKING COMPANIES

Osar Hityahvut f 351 347
L.D.R. Bank Holding f 270.5 265
Union Bank f 217 217
Bank Leumi f 237 236.5

MORTGAGE BANKS
Gen. Mortgage Bank f 237 236.5
Carmel Mortg. & Inv. f 148.5 148.5
Bank Hapoziz f 235.5 235.5
Dev. & Mortg. Bank f 209 209
Housing Mortg. Bank f 238.5 237.5
Tetahot f 238.5 238

SPECIALIZED
FINANCIAL
INSTITUTIONS

Bank & Dev. Bank 9% f 72 71.5
Hama Insurance f 257 257
Sahar "C" f 230 237

SERVICES & UTILITIES
Motor House f 224 224
Delek f 236 236
Cold Storage-ILCO f 418 418
Israel Electric Corp. f 87 87
Lishit & Savy Land, Building, Development f 220 217

AND CITIZENS
Aotrim f 228.5 228.5
Africa Int. ILCO f 228.5 228.5

Real Estate
Solid Bonds-10% f 146 145
Property & Build f 246 246
Imas f 246 246

Industrial
Mabnat f 176 176
L.P. Int. Citrus f 105 102
Anglo-Int. Investor f 84.5 81.5
Neel Aviv f 175 170
Ramos-9% f 112.5 111.5
Ramos-0 f 87.5 84

INDUSTRIAL
Adiance-B f 444 444
Elec-2.5 f 108 108
Elec-3 f 295 295
"Argamant"-9% f 340 340
"Alo"-C f 147.5 147.5
Dubek f 200 198
Elect. Wire & Cable f 825 825
Tera f 50 50
Chem. & Phosphates f 221 220
Levin Epstein f 221 220
Moller Textile f 221 220
Pharmacia-9% f 125 123
Paper Mills f 328 323
Asia "7" f 285 285
Neuchatan f 455 455
Shemen-9% f 117 116
"Teal" Plywood f 280 282.5

INVESTMENT &
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Mipar f 102.5 102.5
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Israel Central Trade f 330 330
Bank Hapoziz f 285 283
Tel f 106 105.5
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Bank Leumi f 237 236.5
Phyrex Investment f 120 120
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Clal Investment f 237 235.5
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Fined for 'inevitable' mistakes Customs agents warn of protest strike

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Customs clearing agents yesterday threatened to strike to protest "imposition of fines ranging from IL200 to IL5,000" on mistakes in the evaluation of goods made in "good faith."

Mr. Moshe Shahar, the chairman of the Customs and Forwarding Agents association, told The Jerusalem Post that in the past six months, the Department of Customs and Excise had required customs clearing agents to classify the dutiable goods into categories, determine the customs, purchase tax, added value tax, import levy, deposit, (netel vevu), currency exchange rates in the different countries, and other items.

It took 33 separate calculations to clear one shipment through customs, Mr. Shahar said, and a mistake in any one of these calculations could lead to a fine.

(Mr. Avraham Ellenberg, assistant director of the department of customs and excise, who is deputizing in the absence of Mr. David Peled, the director, was unavailable for comment yesterday since he was out on strike together with the other senior civil servants.)

Mr. Shahar said that "everybody makes mistakes — how many times does a Government office send bills which are incorrect, and who ever thinks of imposing fines for this? Why must we civilians be singled out?" He added that "mistakes" were inevitable since two customs officials, working side by side, would impose different taxes on the same shipment, because they had different concepts of its value.

He claimed that some customs officials even changed their own evaluation of goods over a period of months.

However, he admitted that 90 per cent of the mistakes made in "good faith" favoured the importers, and only 10 per cent of them favoured the Government. However, in some cases this did not make any difference, he said, since the customs agents were "fined for paying the Government too much."

Among other steps contemplated by the customs agents, in addition to a strike, was to force the importers to "clear their own goods through the customs — which would lead to the importers interceding with the authorities," and "throwing the customs forms back in the faces of the Government officials and asking them to make their own calculations."

At present, newspapers use about 40,000 tons of newsprint a year. Until recently, half came from Italy. Due to increase in the use of newsprint in Italy, the authorities there asked that shipments to Israel be drastically reduced, and at present, no more than a fifth of the normal quantity is expected.

Of the remaining 50 per cent, 40 per cent comes from Scandinavia, and ten per cent is produced by the Hadara paper mills.

It is hoped that these last two sources can be persuaded to step up supplies.

Italian news vendors
strike on porn issue

ROME (Reuters). — Italians were without newspapers yesterday as news vendors staged a one-day strike to demand repeal of a law which makes them criminally responsible for the sale of pornographic material.

The vendors claim the law is unconstitutional by making them responsible for censorship of literature and say publishers should be legally responsible for the content of their publications. A bill aimed at altering the law has been before parliament for several months but is making very slow progress.

Senior civil servants'
strike condemned

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut yesterday registered its annoyance at the three-days strike of senior Government officials, called to protest non-fulfilment of various professional demands.

Histadrut trades union head Uriel Abramowitz stressed the labour federation's objections to the demand for recognition of a separate union, but said it was willing to consider according senior officials a division within the Civil Servants' Union. However, he did not hold out hopes that even within the framework of the unified wage scale for public officials, some of their demands could be met, particularly overtime payment.

Lotto winners

TEL AVIV. — The winning six numbers in the "Lotto" draw are: 02, 03, 07, 11, 22 and 38, Mifal Hapayis announced yesterday. The additional number (which Mifal Hapayis adds) was 21.

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Last date for submitting applications: June 26, 1973.

6. Public tender No. 1569/Mem-Het
Chief Supervisor for the placing of children in external institutions in the Social Welfare Dept.
Grade: corresponding to qualifications.
Last date for submitting applications: May 23, 1973.

7. Public tender No. 1573/Mem-Het
Social Welfare Clerk to administer the Youth Law (Treatment and Supervision) 1960, in the Social Welfare Dept.
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Last date for submitting applications: May 23, 1973.

Further particulars concerning the above tenders have been posted on the bulletin boards in the Municipality's Personnel Department, Municipal Bldg., Kikar Malchei Yisrael, and at Municipal Information Bureaus.

Applications on "Applicant for Vacant Position Questionnaire" with curriculum vitae and qualifying certificates enclosed, should be submitted to the Personnel Department in a sealed envelope marked with the tender number. Questionnaire forms may be obtained in person or by post from the Personnel Department, or at Municipal Information Bureaus.

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Cement and speculation

ISRAEL is now using cement at the rate of about 4,000 tons a day, and there must be something wrong with a situation in which headlines are made of delays in unloading a cargo of just 5,200 tons, currently held up in Ashdod. It is hard enough that such a major operation should take more than two weeks, on two-shift work, with the Ports Authority and the importer, the Neshar Cement Co., putting the blame on each other. It is even worse that the country's building industry should be dependent on such hand-to-mouth supplies. The persistent shortages of work schedules, leaving scarce labour idle, together with its machinery, and wasting resources while speculators get rich on the black market.

Mr. Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry, has announced that things will improve shortly, when new dock facilities are completed in Haifa harbour and also in Gaza port. That is doubtless good news. These facilities were not provided a year earlier, certainly in Haifa, so that the present bottleneck could have been avoided. The difficulties over cement imports are of long standing. By 1971 we had to import close to 280,000 tons, and last year, about 460,000 tons. Cement accounted for a sizeable part of all cargoes unloaded in our ports in 1972. The writing on the wall was plain even at that time.

The more one ponders the cement shortage the less one can understand our planning methods. By 1968 local cement consumption came close to overtaking production, and building was about to embark on its massive expansion of recent years. Plans had been prepared for housing new immigrants, young couples and savers regis-

tered with the Housing Ministry, apart from shum clearance. The boom in private building after 1967 was easy to foresee. Non-residential building projects were financed by government funds. And yet while construction expanded by no less than two-thirds, cement output has gone up by only one-sixth since 1969. The days of cement exports have long been forgotten. It is small wonder that imports had to cover almost a quarter of our total cement consumption last year, at heavy cost to the economy.

Official spokesmen reply that demand for housing has simply soared beyond expectations, but that is only part of the truth. The main reason for the excessive demand is not the upswing in immigration, not even people's rising living standards, but speculative investment, fed by manipulation of the inflationary economy, and in its turn itself feeding the inflation, as a result of inadequate fiscal and economic planning.

People are buying flats because flats are in short supply, because prices of land and residential property are going up faster than those of other commodities. As matters stand it is worth the owners' while to keep flats empty and not risk disputes with tenants. Thus the housing shortage is perpetuated, prices are forced up and up, and the capital gains on the investment swell. There is little sense in blaming people for availing themselves of the golden opportunities created by the inflation, but the government should have been aware of this situation and moved to put a brake to it in time.

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The Bologna meeting

Davar (Histadrut) discusses the Bologna conference, which ended with the passing of anti-Israel resolutions. The Israel Government's attitude to the participation of Israeli citizens in hostile propaganda both here and abroad is liberal beyond the ordinary, says the paper. "The public will now fully appreciate who those marginal people are who pretended to represent us at Bologna and who achieve prominence in Israel very far beyond what they deserve."

Ha'aretz (non-party), writing of

How to dodge facts and please voters

Economic Editor
MOSHE ATER says
 that the government is
 avoiding the real
 economic issues.

PEOPLE once dreaded cyclic fluctuations of the economy. They were dreaded because the word cyclic implied that nothing could be done to avoid them. A boom had to precede a bust, prosperity, a crisis and slump, caused by economic natural forces.

Modern economic techniques have put an end to this attitude. A government worth its salt can now adjust the economy to changing external circumstances, keeping it balanced. Nevertheless, the business cycle is still with us although its major cause is no longer uncontrollable private initiative, but rather governments bent upon gaining popular support and winning elections.

A case in point is seen in current developments here. If there is a slowdown next year, it will be because we are not now taking the measures to avoid it. The government does not even attempt to hide this policy. It just takes it for granted that the public wishes to be entertained on the eve of elections irrespective of the toll it may be called to foot afterwards.

In fact, the government's assessment of the situation seems to be correct. Thus the tripartite talks about checking inflation are continuing at the highest level, while all the participants are doing their utmost to advance it.

Histadrut view
 The Histadrut would, of course, prefer stable prices so as to let its members enjoy the full extent of the wage rises gained by recent hard bargaining, but need not much worry about the price increases as long as full c.o.l. allowance is guaranteed. The manufacturers have by now experienced three years of price control, and learn to live — and make quite good profits — under it. And with wage rises feeding home purchasing power, and keeping labour content, they do not really mind the inflationary creep.

Lastly, the government is actively promoting it by its overspending. While the man in the street is worried by the rising rate of price rises, the actual question is now the rate of growth of our GNP. If the economy can continue to grow 8 to 10 per cent annually, few people would really mind if prices went up by 2 per cent a year or a month.

The memory of the 1966 slowdown lingers on, but is suppressed because, we are told, matters are different now. And they are, in many respects, but obvious to most people. At the end of March, the bank cut out. But whether that difference is enough to reassure us, one cannot really know as long as the issue has not been fully and frankly discussed.

The importance of full and frank discussion may be exemplified by the debate on the mid-year c.o.l. allowance. It will almost certainly be paid for not only by the Histadrut demanding it, but no one can question its justification while the c.o.l. is climbing at the present rate.

However, opinions are divided about the rate of the allowance, and once one probes this moot point the apparent consensus disappears. Though the allowance could easily reach 10 per cent, the Histadrut is unlikely to insist on that much (and thus inject the overheated economy with another IL1,000m.).

Since Mr. Ben-Aharon warned that a mid-year allowance would be due if the c.o.l. rose beyond an annual 6 (or 8) per cent, the allowance — so it is argued — should amount to only 6 per cent, and that rate, which obviously could be tolerated. If so and the c.o.l. is not automatic, but subject to deliberation, then why should it be paid on top of all the other wage hikes and tax cuts which have upped real incomes of wage-earners — compared with a year ago.

Obviously, the answer depends on a proper evaluation of the resources we can cut at the disposal of private consumption. But, in fact, neither trade unions nor the public is much concerned.

An even more topical point is the current tug-of-war in our bank system, where the credit squeeze imposed by the central bank is defied by the commercial banks and effectively undermined by the Treasury. Without stiff liquidity regulations, and other devices applied by the central bank to curb the banks' lending power, the current buying spree would have gained even bigger proportions.

In spite of these measures, bank credit expanded rapidly in the first quarter of 1973. Up to March 7 it increased IL249m., compared to IL11m. in the same period of 1972. At the end of March, the bank's liquidity deficit (i.e. excess credits) — on which they have to pay heavy penalties — amounted to IL350m. Owing to this credit expansion, the Treasury's rentrench-

KUWAIT: WHERE ALL NEEDS ARE MET

By KARL LAURENCIC
 IF Karl Marx were born again he would do well to visit Kuwait. He would see there something of what he had envisaged as the final, blissful stage of mankind's progress under communism, when everybody is having all his needs provided for regardless of his contribution to the society.

Marx would be disappointed, no doubt, to see that such widely shared affluence is by no means the result of a social revolution — although the fear of one might have stimulated the fabulously rich local families to agree to what is probably the most perfect welfare state in the world, giving Kuwaiti citizens protection from any serious material worry from cradle to grave.

I have nowhere else seen such a high proportion of Mercedes cars, mostly brand new and white, as among the traffic that is still moving reasonably fast. Shop windows are packed with the latest consumer gadgets, mainly imported from Japan and the U.S.

The street cleaners
 But what brings home to me the special quality of life in Kuwait is something else: the sight of the street cleaners. These are able-bodied, young men in immaculate boiler suits and brown shoes which look as if they have hardly been worn.

Pushing their carts in front of them with decorum, they gather occasional pieces of waste with long, pointed sticks. They seem like male nurses in an expensive American sanatorium.

With something like £1,000 million a year to spend and a population of rather less than a million, the rulers of Kuwait are reaching a point where the problem of what to do with money becomes serious. There is a danger that the Kuwaiti rulers, as they are, already are, will become effete and unable to fend for themselves should the oil riches dry up.

Crafts dying out
 Many of the old crafts and skills are dying out, as Kuwaitis, who have so many opportunities for earning easy money, refuse to be bothered.

There are hardly any left who can build the swift and graceful dhows that look the ancestors of the present-day Kuwaitis as far afield as Indonesia and East Africa in pursuit of trade and adventure. Pearl diving, a major industry before the last war, is gone completely. Shrimp fishing, which earns something like \$8m. a year in foreign exchange, is picking up after the recent merger of three leading companies that had been engaged in mutual out-thrust competition and dangerously depleted the local stocks of catches.

However, most of the 3,000 men aboard the modern fishing fleet of some 170 vessels or employed on shore in the local shrimp business are not Kuwaitis but people who have drifted into the country from outside in search of employment.

The Kuwaiti Government is now making a special effort to get suitable local young men interested in shrimp and fisheries that show promise.

The immigrant labour, except when from neighbouring Iraq, has been seen to be easy prey to revolutionary propaganda, disseminated by such organisations as People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arab Gulf, a communist-styled movement, supported by Russia and China with bases in Iraq and South Yemen.

The Kuwaiti Government's aim to this long-term threat is to educate and train local people so at least the more responsible can be filled by Kuwaitis themselves who have a vested interest in the preservation of the social order.

It is felt particularly that local men and women should be trained in technical skills to provide a home-grown elite for the emergent manufacturing industries. About one in four of the population in Kuwait is now at some kind of school or training establishment — almost twice as many people as three years ago.

Monthly grants
 Boys attending the industrial college designed to turn out technicians are each given a grant of about \$50 (IL500), from getting tuition and meals in school.

There are also free health visits, and subsidised housing. While taking the wind out of sails of revolutionary ferment home by enlightened social policy the Kuwaiti rulers steadily, somewhat less successfully, try to conciliate nationalist sentiment condemning Israel and contribute generously to the "Arab cause".

With Britain now out as a testing power, Kuwait relies on its huge financial resources to pay its way through the cut paths of Arab politics.

During the recent confrontation with Iraq the pro-Arab police Kuwait apparently paid off as obviously subject to pressure: other Arab Governments, in consented to withdraw its troops from a frontier post it occupied.

But talks between the Bagdadi and Kuwaiti governments have just ended in a deadlock. While the immediate ambition Iraq seems to be to ease its access to the Arabian Gulf by seizing small part of Kuwaiti territory, long-term aim apparently remains to gobble up the wealthy and neighbour entirely, oilfields and (Gm)

Readers' letters

WAR IN CAMBODIA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
 Sir, — During the past few weeks your newspaper has published dispatches calling the North Vietnamese and Vietcong forces fighting in Cambodia "red forces" or simply "Communist forces" without identifying their nationality. This would imply that the fighting taking place in Cambodia is between Cambodians.

I would like to point out that the war which is raging in Cambodia is one between the Vietnamese Communists, who want to impose their rule, and the Cambodians who have to fight for their survival and for the right to live freely in their own country. Numerous documents seized from Vietnamese Communist prisoners captured in Cambodia show beyond doubt the real nature of the Vietnamese Communist aggression launched by North Vietnam and the Vietcong against Cambodia.

Your issue of May 4 carried a Reuters dispatch from Saigon asserting that "at least 500" Cambodian troops "have disappeared completely" and were believed to have been "overwhelmed on Wednesday afternoon by a gas attack" by the Vietnamese Communists. It is true that the latter, disregarding all international laws, used gas time and again to kill not only Cambodian troops but still more often children and women. However, there has been no case of 500 Cambodian troops missing because of gas attacks. On April 25, North Vietnamese and Vietcong troops shelled gas explosives on Cambodian troops on Highway One at Koid Thom, poisoning about 50 soldiers, but none was dead or missing.

RON SONE
 Charge d'Affaires a.l.
 Embassy of Khmer
 Jerusalem, May 4.

PRAISE FOR EL AL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
 Sir, — I applaud your editorial of April 27 concerning "El Al's jumbo step forward." In October, I was a passenger on an El Al non-stop flight from New York to Tel Aviv. The rigid safety precautions were carried out in an atmosphere of efficiency and good humour... an arduous task which, nevertheless, was much appreciated by the passengers. Although the flight was solidly booked with an extraordinary group of people (most of us knew one another) the crew never stopped in their efforts to make the strip as pleasant as possible. Believe me, they had their hands full with such a rollicking crowd. It was a pleasure to fly El Al and I look forward to the time when I can take advantage of their expanded service.

ELINOR KATZ
 Pittsburgh, May 3.

WATERGATE GALLOWS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
 Sir, — The Watergate affair and President Nixon's possible involvement brings to mind Aytoun's poem "The Execution of Montrose". The passage having a bearing on the issue runs:

"They brought him to the Watergate
 Hard bound with hempen span,
 As though they held a lion there
 And not a feeble man.
 They set him high upon a cart,
 The hangman rode below,
 They drew his hands behind his back
 And bared his noble brow.
 Then, as the board is slipped from leash,
 They cheered, the common throng,
 And blew the note with yell and shout
 And haled them pass along."
 Let us hope that President Nixon is not treated to the same fate as was Montrose.

ARTHUR TANNENBAUM
 Tel Aviv (Krugersdorf), May 10.

B-G MISSED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
 Sir, — I was deeply shocked to see David Ben-Gurion, the founder and main architect of the State of Israel, disappearing almost "inconspicuously" during the Independence Day parade.

Even if there have been political disagreements in the past, on our 25th Independence Day surely Mr. Ben-Gurion's rightful place should have been with the President and the Prime Minister.

R. FRIEDMAN
 Bnei Brak, May 8.

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